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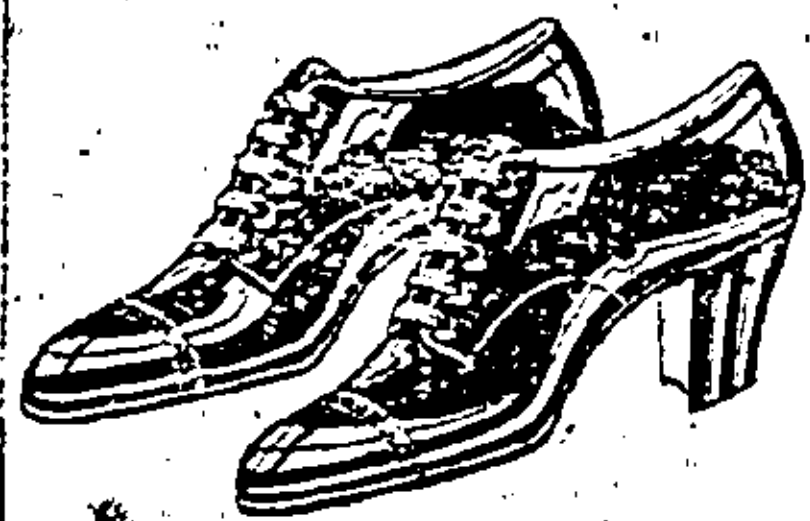
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

WAR CRIMINALS.

BRITAIN'S INTENTION TO FORCE TRIAL.

UNREASONABLE DELAY.

LONDON, February 17.
In the House of Commons, the Attorney-General, replying to questions, said that owing to the German Government's fear of political difficulties if the Allies insisted on the surrender of all war criminals the inter-Allied Commission had submitted a list of 45 selected men for trial at Leipzig. The British Government contributing seven, namely two for sinking hospital ships, one for the murder of a British crew by a submarine submerging, and four for cruelty to prisoners of war. Subsequently the German Government again presented difficulties in obtaining evidence and the Allies collected and submitted depositions, but up to the present none had been brought for trial. He denied that some cases had been settled. It was the Government's intention to enforce trial. The Attorney-General admitted that there had been unreasonable delay on the part of Germany. He was not aware that the German Government had refused passports to any criminals to leave Germany but he believed at least some of the accused had been arrested.

LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS.

QUESTION RECEIVING GOVERNMENT'S EARNEST ATTENTION.

LONDON, February 17.
In the House of Commons, Viscount Curzon asked whether steps had been taken or were contemplated to approach the Governments of America and Japan with a view to a definite understanding for the limitation of armaments. Mr. Lloyd George replied that the question was engaging the earnest attention of the Government. It was premature to make a statement.

AIR MINISTRY.

MR. CHURCHILL RETAINS POST IN THE INTERIM.

LONDON, February 17.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Lloyd George, replying to questions, said that no decision had been reached as regards the appointment of a separate Air Minister. Meanwhile, Mr. Churchill would discharge the duties.

TRADE WITH RUSSIA.

GOVERNMENT CONSIDERING MOSCOW'S AMENDMENTS.

LONDON, February 17.
In the House of Commons, replying to a question, Mr. Lloyd George said that Moscow replied on February 5 proposing certain amendments to the British proposals for an economic agreement. The Government was considering these. M. Krassin was expected to arrive in London shortly.

IRISH QUESTION.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS' UNION NOT TO STRIKE.

LONDON, February 17.
In connection with the threat of the Locomotive Engineers' Union to strike unless the Government granted an inquiry into the recent shooting of Irish railwaymen at Malloy, the executive of the Locomotive Engineers' Union has instructed the members not to strike on February 20 as previously instructed or in the future on the Irish question unless further instructions are issued.

SHANGHAI WIRELESS CONTRACT.

SATISFACTORY TERMINATION OF CONTROVERSY ANTICIPATED.

WASHINGTON, February 17.
Official circles are confident that the controversy with China regarding the cancellation of the Shanghai wireless contract (mentioned in our earlier cables) will be satisfactorily terminated before Mr. Harding's installation. A note was despatched through Mr. Crane after the latter had repeatedly informed Washington that the cancellation of the contract would be a blow to the "open door" policy in China. The note was strongly worded, it is believed, forecasting the possibility of Mr. Crane's withdrawal in the event of China's persistence.

LABOUR MANIFESTO.

GOVERNMENT'S "SUICIDAL POLICY" DENOUNCED.

LONDON, February 17.
The Labour Party has issued a manifesto denouncing the Government's "suicidal policy," especially with regard to peace treaties and indemnities, as inimical to the best interests of Europe.

CONSUMPTION CURE FOUND?

SWISS BACTERIOLOGIST'S CLAIM TO BE INVESTIGATED.

LONDON, February 17.
The Health Ministry is despatching to Geneva a tuberculosis specialist to investigate a cure for consumption recently announced by the Swiss bacteriologist Spahlinger.

ARCHDEACON WAKEFORD.

LONDON, February 17.
It is denied that the Bishop of Lincoln has given sentence in the case of the Archdeacon of Stow, the Ven. J. Wakeford, mentioned yesterday.

LORD CURZON RECEIVES CHINESE AMBASSADOR.

LONDON, February 18.
Mr. Wellington Koo has held an audience with Lord Curzon.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/5 5/8
To-day's opening rate 2/5 5/8

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

CARPENTIER: FUTURE IN MONTE CARLO.

NEW YORK, February 17th.
The American "Jeff" Smith will meet Carpenter at Monte Carlo, on March 1st, in a twenty-round contest, for a purse of \$35,000.

CHILEAN NITRATE INDUSTRY.

WASHINGTON, February 17th.
The Chilean Embassy denies the reports that British and Japanese capital has become greatly interested in the Chilean nitrate industry, and says that no Japanese capital is interested.
The Embassy adds that the Chilean Government deplores the report of a British-Japanese-Chilean alliance against the interests of the United States, which entirely misrepresents the correct and cordial relations between Chile and the United States.

BURNED AT THE STAKE.

NEW YORK, February 17th.
A message from Athens (Greece) says that a crowd of 5,000 stormed the prison, removed a negro detained there on a charge of murdering a white woman, and burned him on the stake. Some members of the crowd entered the building by climbing the roof and burning their way to the cell by blow-torches on door-locks.

DUTY ON FOREIGN GOODS.

MELBOURNE, February 17th.
The Commonwealth Government has decided that certain refunds arising from the recent High Court judgment laying down the calculation of duty on foreign goods should be based on the commercial rate of exchange, not on the par value of the currency of the country of origin.

BOMBAY RAILWAY STRIKE.

BOMBAY, February 17th.
The railwaymen, who came out at Parrell, have resumed work.

JOHANNESBURG MINERS' STRIKE.

JOHANNESBURG, February 17th.
Most of the mine strikers have resumed work, and the majority of the mines are operating practically normally.

U.S. EMERGENCY TARIFF.

WASHINGTON, February 17th.
The Fordney Bill, which was passed by the Senate by 143 votes to 30, will now go, with a score of amendments, before a joint conference of the House of Representatives and the Senate with the object of reconciling conflicting opinions.

CARUSO'S ILLNESS.

NEW YORK, February 17th.
The latest official bulletin says that Caruso is much better and great hope of his recovery is entertained, although he is still a very sick man.

AMERICAN WIRELESS CONTRACT IN SHANGHAI.

NEW YORK, February 17th.
The New York World's Washington correspondent says that the State Department has notified China that the United States Government will regard as an unfriendly act China's cancellation of the contract with the American Federal Telegraph Company for the erection of a high-powered wireless plant in Shanghai. The Note was sent after enquiry was made into the alleged activities of a British company to have the American contract abrogated.
The New York World adds that the State Department has sent a communication to the British Foreign Office on the subject.

FUTURE OF RUBBER INDUSTRY.

LONDON, February 17th.
The rubber situation was discussed by Mr. Hotchkiss, President of the General Rubber Company, in an interview with a Financial Times representative. Mr. Hotchkiss was disinclined to regard the present slump, if it does not last too long, as an unmixing evil, after last year's over-trading. There was no indication of an early recovery. From the manufacturing standpoint, he approved of the Rubber-Growers' Association's movement for the present restriction of output, provided that the latter was purely voluntary, but he strongly opposed artificial schemes tending to force up prices or Government interference. The General Rubber Company's belief that the present trouble was only temporary was demonstrated by the fact that, despite the curtailment of tapping operations in Malay States and Sumatra, all labourers were retained and otherwise utilised. He regarded that a florin to half a crown a fair price for plantation product.

CHINESE FLOUR FOR CZECHOS.

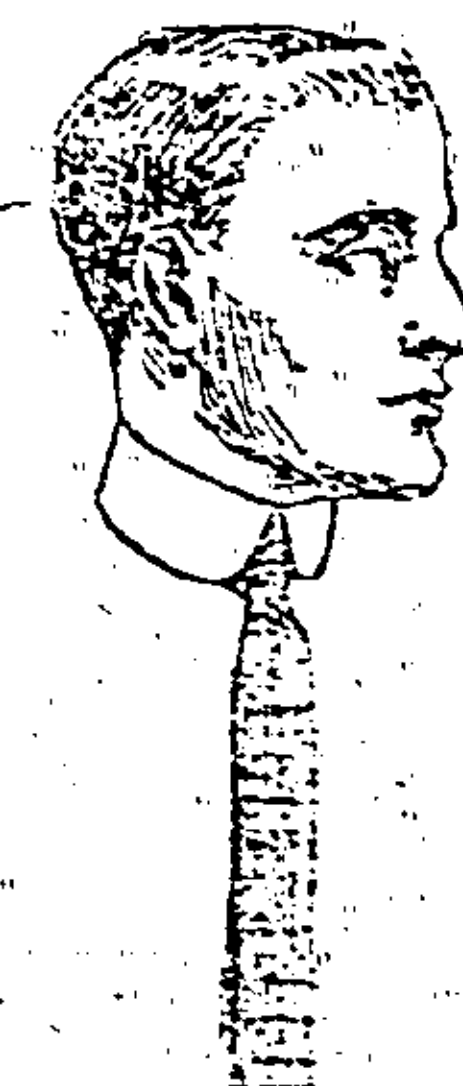
LONDON, February 17th.
The Daily Express says that the Government has sold a large quantity of Chinese flour to Czechoslovakia.

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February 19, 1921, at 11 a.m.
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Hongkong, February 15, 1921.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED.)

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ing Tables and Chairs, etc., Dinner
Services, Crockery, and Glass Ware,
Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, etc., Bath
Room Utensils, Electro-Plated Ware,
Electric Reading Lamps, Teakwood
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Side Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures,
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TUESDAY,

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p.m. at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
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**AN ASSORTMENT OF
HOUSEHOLD LINENS, &c.,**
comprising:—
Pillow Cases, Fine quality Blankets,
White Satin Quills, Bed Valances,
Damask Table Cloths, Turkish Towels,
Bath Towels, Bath Sheets, Double Bed
Sheets, Drawnwork Bedspreads, Table
Covers, Crockery and Drawnwork Dollies,
Linen Damask Serviettes,

Also
A few lots of Yellow Valance and Suit
Cases.
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Three Pairs Binoculars, etc.
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Fancy Dress Dinner Ball; therefore,
tables may be booked on the usual
lines, and holders of the Supper Dance
Tickets can obtain a refund on presenta-
tion of such tickets.
The charge per head for the Dinner
Ball will be on similar lines to the
usual WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY
DANCES.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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INTIMATIONS.

**HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the ORDINARY ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS IN THIS COMPANY will
be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hong-
kong, on SATURDAY, the 19th Februa-
ry, 1921, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose
of receiving the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st December,
1920.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from the
11th February, to the 21st February,
(both days inclusive), during which
period no transfer of shares can be
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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 31, 1921.

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DAY, the 22nd day of February, 1921,
at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the
purpose of receiving a Statement of
Accounts and the Report of the Directors
for the year ending December 31st, 1920
and declaring a Dividend.

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are hereby informed that an interim
dividend of Frs. 20.- per share will be
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Hongkong, January 21, 1921.

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TEA DANCES

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specifications can be obtained from the
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American, British, Belgian, French,
Italian, and Japanese Legations.

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M. J. BREEN,
Hon. Secretary,
War Memorial Committee.

INTIMATIONS.

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS
in this Corporation will be held at the
CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY,
26th day of February, 1921, at Noon,
for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Court of Directors together with
a Statement of Accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Corporation will be CLOSED from
SATURDAY, 12th February, to
SATURDAY, 26th February, 1921,
(both days inclusive) during which
period no transfer of shares can be
registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 5, 1921.

**HONGKONG BOXING
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First TOURNAMENT
MONDAY, 21st February, at 9 P.M.
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ONE CASUALTY!

CZECHO-SLOVAK RISING.

COMIC OPERA REVOLUTION.

The Republic of Czechoslovakia
has been having an undress rehearsal
of revolution. That something was
wrong has been indicated by the fact
that telephonic communication be-
tween Prague and Vienna, as well as
Berlin, has been interrupted, that
telegrams have been held up, and
that letters have been under censor-
ship.

A correspondent who crossed the
German frontier sends the following
account of happenings there:—
"The troubles have their basis in
social matters: the high cost of liv-
ing, the scarcity of houses and the
dilatory carrying through of social
reforms. The recently suppressed
street troubles have been followed by
what might be called an economic
trial of strength on the part of the
Communists who, though they go by
that name, do not regard Moscow as
their political headquarters, but are
akin to German Independent Social-
ists."

"When the authorities cleared them
out of their headquarters in the
Prague Volkshaus, they replied by
proclaiming a general strike. The
Right Socialist wing condemned this
action."

"Though in Prague and its neigh-
bourhood the Communists had little
success, practically all the textile and
sugar factory workers, half the coal
miners and many iron workers re-
sponded to their appeal. The public
services were not interfered with.
On the whole probably about 50 per
cent. of the workers in the country
sided with the Communists."

In some districts the Communist
rank and file got out of hand. They
formed themselves into bodies with
the romantic name of Revolutionary
Committees; they armed themselves
with sporting guns and knives, which
they took from peasants and farmers,
and proceeded to occupy factories and
estates and declare them socialised
and the owners disposed of."

Then the Government began to
act. It sent gendarmes into the
troubled areas, and in all cases they
succeeded in restoring order and the
former condition of affairs practically
without bloodshed. Indeed, only one
casualty is reported—one peasant
wounded."

"Kronstadt was the main centre of
trouble. Comic opera revolutionaries
declared that as the Russian revolu-
tionaries marched from Kronstadt to
Petrograd, so the Czechoslovak re-
volution would spread from Kronstadt
to Prague." But three hundred gen-
darmes settled the matter easily."

Meanwhile Prague, kept entirely
without news, was highly alarmed
thinking itself in the midst of a coun-
try seething with revolution. The
leaders of the movement have been
arrested and altogether 200 persons
have been thrown into prison.

The Communists are now calling
off the strike, they are probably con-
tent with the evidence to their force
which this trial of strength has pro-
vided. They evidently had no very
far-reaching plans or demands, save
that social legislation should be speed-
ed up."

The correspondent who knows the
conditions in the country well, con-
cludes by saying that the result will
probably be to unite the two sections
of the Socialist party (the left wing
of which calls itself Communist, as
we have said). That will lead to the
modification of the extremist views of
the Left, but also to the radicalisation
of the policy of the whole party."

Though the matter is not tremen-
dously serious, it will show the Gov-
ernment it has a movement to face
which it will not be able to disregard.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The family of the late Mrs. Anna Ernestina da Cruz Rocha beg to tender their thanks to their relatives and friends for the sympathy in their bereavement, also for the floral tributes.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEB. 18, 1921.

WHY HONGKONG MUST HAVE LABOUR LEGISLATION.

That is a very strong point which Mr. Bowley made, and which the Daily Press emphasised on Thursday, that our local Government is involved in the agreement made in connection with the Peace Treaty, Part XIII of that Treaty commits Great Britain, and all its dependencies, to special efforts in the direction of "social justice," specifically to regulation of hours of work by a maximum working day and week, the provision of an adequate living wage, protection against injury arising out of employment, and the protection of children, young persons, and women. These are all phrases lifted verbatim from Section I of Part XIII. The Government may say, of course, and quite likely be right in saying, that it prefers to await instructions from the Home Government, which, so far as we are concerned, may be awaiting communications from the Labour Committee of the League of Nations. In that case it will be well to know it, and by mooted these proposals for us Mr. Bowley has taken the only step likely to elicit an initial declaration.

The ideas are now open for discussion (the China Mail forum is open to all interested) and for those who believe we ought to take action their course is clear. A case has to be prepared and presented for the consideration of this particular branch of the League of Nations, which has, we believe, already begun to function. It is established by Article 387, and has for title the International Labour Office. It would start a Commission of Enquiry touching the conditions complained of, and the report of such commission would be communicated to the Government concerned, and made public, (Article 415). Subsequent Articles recognize the probability that for dependencies not self-governing special conditions will require special treatment. They recognize that differences of climate, habits, and customs, of economic opportunity and industrial tradition, make strict uniformity in the conditions of labour difficult of immediate attainment. This recognition, generous as it was, very probably had no thought of the gulf between European and Asiatic labour. But that is sufficiently covered by the general principles enunciated, the first of which is that labour should not be regarded (as it is in Hongkong) as a commodity or article of commerce. Of special and of urgent importance, the High Commission Parties agreed, is the abolition of child labour. Note that. They would abolish it, whereas Mr. Bowley, who has been attacked for sowing the seed of industrial disaffection, merely proposes to regulate it. It seems to us that by doing something on the lines he suggests, our Government will be in a much better position later on to resist any L.O.N. proposals it may think unsuitable to local conditions, than if it be obliged to confess that it has done nothing at all toward the solution of this problem.

The Telegraph last evening took-pooled the proposals, professing to be sceptical about any outcome whatever. This appears to us a singular case of short sight. It is, however, with a further comment of our contemporary that we are most immediately impelled to disagree. It avers that "the conditions, we complain against in Hongkong are common to the length and breadth of the great country to which we are contiguous; we have but a small overflow. We are willing to join issue there. How far the Telegraph writer is qualified to testify about 'the length and breadth' of China we cannot say. We certainly make no pretension to know so much of it. But if we show that its statement is false as we do know, we shall have proved that the statement is what it looks on the face of it, much too sweeping. We shall have set up a reasonable doubt of its value as a contribution to a serious discussion. We claim that the conditions complained of are peculiar to Hongkong, and are so far from being common in China that they do not exist there at all. It is true that women and children work in the country. So they do in all countries, even at home, where humane legislation has failed to cover the sporadic examples of remote districts. But in Shanghai one does not see women and children carrying such loads as we see here. One does not see anything in China or elsewhere, in any of the world, carrying such loads as we see here. In Hongkong, the conditions are peculiar to Hongkong. Building operations on Peaks are not common to the length and breadth of China, nor are such factories as we have. Even in our New Territories, where poor women and children contribute as breadwinners, Hongkong's peculiar labour conditions are in no wise imitated. Our contemporary has perpetrated a rash assertion that cannot be substantiated. Convicted of a reckless disregard of simple fact, its article further betrays its incompetence to reason. "Poverty," it says, with all the air of one telling the whole truth about something so simple as to be self-evident, "is but the effect of bad management. It goes on to add that these evils are due to want of organization. Well, is not Mr. Bowley offering a first instalment of management where mismanagement has been? Is he not initiating a movement that will start organization where there is none? Even were conditions in China as bad as they are in Hongkong, China is a foreign country for which we have no responsibility, while Hongkong is our affair. It is horrible to suggest that we British should pattern our politics and morals on foreign ways, arguing that what may be good enough for them should be good enough for us. It is for us to set China an example of virtue; not ours to argue that because (or if) China is bad, we can afford to be bad also. That argument, implicit in the article under notice, is one of which we ought as a people to be ashamed.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

During the Chinese New Year the British Admiral paid an unofficial visit to Kowloon, Samshui, and Wuchow, on the West River.

As the result of being knocked down by motor car No. 463 in town yesterday, a Chinese is now in the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to his knees.

While working in the No. 2 Holt's godown yesterday, a coolie was killed instantaneously through a heavy bale of merchandise accidentally falling on him.

Members of the Helena May Institute and their friends are reminded that the Bishop of Victoria will give an address at the Institute on Tuesday next, February 22.

Another isolated case of small-pox Chinese, figures in yesterday's health return. One case of paratyphoid fever, Portuguese, and one fatal case of diphtheria, Chinese, were also reported.

The approaching weddings are announced of Mr. C. C. Brooks, Assistant Marine Superintendent, to Miss Helen Thomson, Nurse, of Kowloon; and of Mr. C. R. van Kripen, Chief Assistant of the Transmarina Trading Company, to Miss Nellie de Does, en route from Holland per s.s. "Rembrandt."

A successful whist drive was held at the Catholic Men's Club last evening. The following were the prize winners—Ladies: 1. Miss Lamerton (177); 2. Mrs. Pile (176); 3. Mrs. Booth (174); 4. Mrs. Pile (174); 5. Mrs. Booth (174). Gentlemen: 1. Mr. Hamby (137); 2. Mr. Shoobrook (174); 3. Mr. Tipkins (174); 4. Mr. Norris (174); 5. Mr. Pile (174). The prizes were presented by Mr. R. W. Brown.

BUNGALOW CASE.

COURT VIEWS PROPERTY.

JUDGMENT RESERVED.

Following a visit to Ho Mus Tin by the Court and solicitors, to view the property involved in the action, the hearing of the suit of the Rev. Father Henriques against Mr. George Theodore Lam for \$205 as compensation for damage which he alleges the building of the defendant's bungalow caused to his adjoining wall and compound, was resumed yesterday afternoon. The case is before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, in the Summary Court.

Mr. Lo, for the defence, addressed the Court, quoting precedents and cases bearing on the points involved. His Lordship said he understood Mr. Lo to argue that compensation of the defendant's site did not constitute withdrawal of support from the plaintiff's site. Even if it did, it was the position of the defence that the plaintiff could not succeed because he was not entitled to support on made ground; that he was not entitled to support of the land because both lots had not been derived by the parties from the common private owners; and that if the plaintiff made the claim that his neighbours were limited in the use to which they could put their land, the statement of claim did not cover that contention.

His Lordship indicated that he attached no importance to the second of these points, regarding the ownership of the sites, and Mr. Lewis said he did not claim a third.

Mr. Lewis addressed the Court for the plaintiff. He said he based his claim on the common law right of an owner of land to the support naturally afforded by the surrounding ground. The defendant had as much right to build as the plaintiff had, but, finding the circumstances of the soil what they were, it was incumbent on him not to cause damage to his neighbour's land, or to the property on that land. Mr. Lewis added that the defendant's architect should have adopted building measures better suited to the soil peculiar to the district.

As to the common law right to the natural support of neighbouring ground, his Lordship asked, "What about made ground?"

Mr. Lewis: Natural ground is ground in the state in which it is when you get it.

His Lordship: Here they built on two mud pies, side by side. Have they a mutual right of support?

Mr. Lewis: There is not a single house on the Peak, cut it down and used the cut away material in the form of made ground, then each built a house on the land, would they not have the same rights against one another as if they took the land of the Hongkong Cricket Club and built there? When does land cease to be natural and become artificial?

His Lordship: That is the difficulty. Mr. Lewis: I say this land is as natural now as it ever will be.

His Lordship: If the plaintiff had waited longer, till the soil had consolidated, the weight of the defendant's building would not have affected him. You were building on mud; assuming you started to claim support from your neighbours, or do you not owe it to them to delay building until your site is hard?

Mr. Lewis: All I ask is to retain the support that I had, in fact, at the time the defendant began to build his house.

His Lordship: If you had three months' start in your building operations, you would control theirs to some extent.

Mr. Lewis: I am entitled, at all times, to the support which the subadjacent and adjacent soil gives me, whether it is good support or bad support, and nobody is entitled to take that support, such as it is, away from me.

His Lordship reserved judgment.

JAPAN'S CROWN PRINCE.

IMPENDING VISIT TO EUROPE.

EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

A cablegram has been received by the Consul for Japan from the Prime Minister, stating that the impending visit of H.H. the Crown Prince to Europe will be solely for the purposes of education and observation.

His Imperial Highness will be away only six months. He will visit England, and then make a tour of the countries that were closely allied during the war, to view the effects and witness at first-hand the resulting chaos in Europe. There is no precedent in Japan for such a trip, although it is usual in European countries for members of Royal families to exchange visits.

In view of the short time available for the trip, His Imperial Highness will not visit America on this occasion. The American trip has been postponed till a more favourable opportunity.

It is thought that His Imperial Highness will call at Hongkong about March 10.

SHAMSEEN.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

ANNUAL REPORT.

Shamseem Municipal Council for the Year 1920 to be submitted at the annual meeting of ratepayers called for 5 p.m. on Monday, February 27, at H. B. M. Consulate-General, is as follows:

Council:—Chairman, Mr. H. S. Sutton; Vice-chairman, Mr. H. S. Smith; Messrs. G. N. Courtney, W. Farmer, and E. Peppercorn; Secretary, Mr. R. T. Matheson; Medical Officer of Health, Dr. W. G. Reynolds; Architects & Engineers, Messrs. Little, Adams and Wood.

Police:—The Police force, under Mr. W. Farmer (Honorary Superintendent) consists of—Inspector W. Read; Inspector Ng Yau, Asst. Insp.; Yu Cheong, 1 Crown Sergeant, 2 Sergeants, 5 Second-class Constables, 26 Third-class Constables, and 1 Pensioner.

Digest of Cases:—Dogs seized 4, drunk and incapable 2, gambling and opium raids 2, Larceny 20, miscellaneous petty offences 40, lost articles recovered 6, cases taken to Consular Court 18, and convictions 15.

Census:—1918. 1919. 1920.
Non-Chinese..... 330 447 450
Chinese..... 960 940 1,109
1,290 1,387 1,559

Mr. Wm. Farmer, Honorary Superintendent of Police during the last four years, has handed in his resignation of this position, feeling that he can no longer spare the necessary time to cope with its continually increasing duties. The Council wish to place on record their very hearty thanks and high appreciation of Mr. Farmer's unremitting interest in the Police during the period referred to.

The question of Mr. Farmer's successor is dealt with under the Estimates.

Health: The report of Dr. A. B. Jameson (Medical Officer of Health) during absence of Dr. W. G. Reynolds on leave is as follows:—

Malaria. I have seen no case definitely contracted on the Concession; dengue, became mildly epidemic during August; cholera, one imported case on a ship in stream (fatal); typhoid group of fevers, 1 resident, 2 visitors (none previously inoculated against the disease); dysenteries, numerous cases both adult and children (men so infected had usually eaten recently of Chinese food); meningitis (cerebro-spinal), one Chinese (fatal); influenza, pneumonia, Portuguese (imported); diphtheria, two cases (both mild); and boils and carbuncles, distressing both in frequency and severity.

Systematic investigation recently conducted at Christian College seems to refute effectively the theory that the lice fruit is in any way responsible.

Water Supply: Three-weekly examinations showed uniformly good standard of purity with one exception; on this occasion the packing of the filter was immediately renewed with satisfactory result.

The standard of health of the community has thus been very good, for the tropics. A further satisfactory feature of sanitation is the adoption of septic tanks for all the new buildings; these should be regarded henceforth not as a convenience but as an absolutely sanitary necessity.

During the year 1 inspected and reported on existing installations, and found all the correctly designed ones working admirably.

Fire Brigade: No fires have occurred on the Concession during the year. The steam fire-engine has had to be overhauled and is in a fair condition only. As it dates from 1883 a resolution will be submitted at the Meeting to empower the Council to purchase a modern one.

Roads: About twenty-three thousand five hundred square feet of cement concrete paths have been laid down during the year, all with concrete curbs.

Drains: Six hundred and eighty-seven running feet of cement concrete drains have been constructed.

Recreation Ground: The Recreation Ground has been raised in some places as much as 18 inches. The material was obtained by dredging in front of the Connaught Steps, which were unapproachable at low tide. The total cost of the work was under \$600.

Cemetery: There have been ten burials during the year. The present Cemetery has only room for eleven more graves, and negotiations with the local authorities for an extension thereof have just been brought to a successful conclusion.

Buildings:—The Municipal Bungalow has been thoroughly repaired and painted and the exterior rough-cast at a cost of about \$1,100. The building has been leased to the Naval Authorities as a Royal Naval Canteen. The Police Station and other buildings are in good state of repair, but the landing jetty will require overhauling in the near future.

Afforestation:—By kind permission of H. E. the Governor of Hongkong, the Forestry Department loaned the Council some of its men, who have given the trees of the Concession a trimming that was badly required.

Telephones:—This disaffection of Shamseem Residents has increased as regards the service given by the Canton Telephone Company. A scheme regarding establishing a local Shamseem sub-exchange has been circulated and ratepayers will be asked to sanction same.

Septic Tanks:—The Council were approached by H. B. M. Board of Works with a view to establishing a regular drainage system for these to meet future requirements. After discussing the matter thoroughly with experts the Council has unanimously decided that, taking into view local conditions and surroundings, the present system, subject to slight modifications in dealing with the outflow, will be perfectly sanitary for some generations to come, and they therefore do not recommend the adoption of the septic tank drainage scheme previously circulated to ratepayers.

Waterworks: The total number of gallons of water pumped and filtered for the year was 38,575,446—an increase of 6,455,446 gallons over the consumption for 1919. The average consumption per month for all purposes was 3,214,954 gallons—an increase of 540,863 gallons over the consumption of the previous year. The amount registered through the service meters was approximately 21,000,000 gallons—an increase of 2,000,000 gallons over the previous year. The balance of water consumed is to be accounted for in the following ways:—(1) The swimming tank was filled 29 times absorbing approximately three million gallons; (2) watering of tennis lawns, croquet lawns, gardens, and pavements; (3) water consumed at Police Station; (4) washing out water mains, tank and filter. The water has been kept up to the standard of purity as required by the Medical Officer of Health. The additional plant for the Waterworks sanctioned at the last Annual Meeting is due out in March/April.

Accounts: The Revenue has been \$48,022.17 as against an estimate of \$49,280 the falling off being due to the trade depression affecting silk exports. The net Expenditure works out at \$37,417.25 as against an estimate of \$42,100. The Finances of the Council may be considered as in a very sound condition.

Estimates: The Council now submit the following estimates for 1921:—

EXPENDITURE.
Police Pay and Clothing ... \$ 11,000
Lighting 2,000
Fire Brigade 1,000
Secretariat 3,800
Road Maintenance and Construction 6,000
Road & Drain Cleaning & Scavenging 2,000
Drain Construction and Repairs 1,000
Garden and Recreation 1,000
Buildings, Bridge and Bund Wall 1,000
Printing and Auditing 500
Cemetery 500
Insurance 500
Boat House 200
Defence Corps 1,000
Health Department 2,000
Interest on Overdraft 2,000
Waterworks Running Expenses 8,000
Council's Engineers Retaining Fee 1,200
Sundries 500
Superintendent 3,600
Repainting Waterworks 1,000
Sinking Fund 8,680
\$ 56,980

REVENUE.
House Tax \$ 29,000
Land Tax 2,000
Wharfage Dues and Business Tax 5,000
Licences and Way Leave 1,000
Rents 2,000
Garden Indemnity 480
Fines 100
Interest (Bath Club) 360
Night Soil 240
French Contribution to Fire Brigade 100
Water 14,000
Rent of Meters 1,500
Septic Tank Permits 400
Godown Tax 800
\$ 56,980

The following resolutions will be submitted to the Meeting:—(1) The House Tax shall be 7 1/2 per cent. for the year, payable before March 31; (2) The Land Tax shall be \$25 per lot, excepting where its area exceeds 12,645 feet, when it shall pay \$2 extra for every 1,000 square feet over and above this area, payable before March 31; (3) The Business Tax shall be \$50.00, payable before March 31; (4) The Godown Tax shall be \$50.00, payable before March 31; (5) Firms exporting raw silk from the Concession shall pay ten cents for each bale of raw silk over and above 1,000 exported over and above 1,000; theatre \$25, dog \$10, bicycling \$5, hawkers \$2, building \$25, and septic tank \$20, plus \$5 for every water-closet over and above four connected with the tank; (6) The charge for water supplied by the Council shall be at the rate of cents 1,000 gallons provided that no charge shall be made where the quarterly consumption of any building does not exceed in value 1% of the assessed value of such building for the quarter; (b) where the consumption of water is in excess as aforesaid, only such excess shall be charged for; (8) The following rent shall be paid to the Council quarterly and in advance, for the use of meters; the quarters shall be considered to commence on the first day of January, the first day of April, the first day of July, and the first day of October—2" meter, \$5, per quarter; 1 1/2" meter \$5, 1" meter \$4, and 3/4" meter \$3. Rent for any portion of a quarter shall be calculated on the basis of a monthly rate, equals one-third of the quarterly rate, any portion of a month being counted as a full month; (9) The value of the amount of the water consumed during the quarter will be ascertained in accordance with the above resolution No. 6 and Water Works Bye-Laws Nos. 17 and 18. (10) The Council will deliver an account quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31, of water consumed in excess during the preceding quarter by the occupier of any building, and such account shall be paid within 14 days after presentation thereof; (11) Fire Engine: That the incoming Council be authorized to spend approximately \$—on the acquisition of a new Fire Engine; (12) Telephone: That the incoming Council be authorized to proceed with the telephone on the lines laid down in the Report of the Telephone Sub-Committee; (13) Extension to Cemetery: That the incoming Council be authorized to take the necessary steps and make the necessary expenditure to have same enclosed and levelled at a cost not to exceed \$—.

H. SUTTON, Chairman.

Canton February 11, 1921.
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE TO DECEMBER 31 1920.

Repairs \$ 1,079.08
Cemetery 54.81
Interest 2,008.84
Fire Brigade 728.63
Ground Rent 61.45
Defence Corps 107.15
Lighting 3,205.47
Road Repairs 1,262.18
Road Cleaning 3,360.53
Drains and Scavenging 18.19
Bridge 3,767.50
Secretariat 3,673.94
Sundries 1,433.70
Garden and Recreation 487.50
Fire Insurance 276.90
Printing and Stationery 490.17

Waterworks Running Expenses 6,290.04
Retaining Fees 1,200.00
Police 9,917.06
Auditing 25.09
Balance to Surplus Account 10,600.92
\$ 48,858.17

Land Tax \$ 2,065.10
House Tax 21,305.90
\$ 23,371.00

Licences 831.00
Queen's Garden Indemnity Fund 490.00
Rents 1,946.00
Boat House 373.20
Business Tax 2,875.00
Wharfage Dues 2,172.60
Fines 93.00

Waterworks Sundry Receipts 14,332.73
Building Permits 25.00
Nightsoil 240.00
Meter Working Account 1,418.64
Swimming Bath Club Interest 360.00
Way Leave 300.00
\$ 48,858.17

BALANCE SHEET.
LIABILITIES.
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation \$38,584.93
Sundry Creditors 573.36
Surplus Account last a/c
Balance as per \$69,589.72
Since added 10,600.92
80,190.64

Less written down:
Waterworks \$ 70.67
Cemetery Jetty \$ 100.00
Meter account \$ 794.42
New Police Bldg. \$ 701.00
Fire Engine and Gear \$ 500.00
2,166.09

78,024.55
\$117,182.84

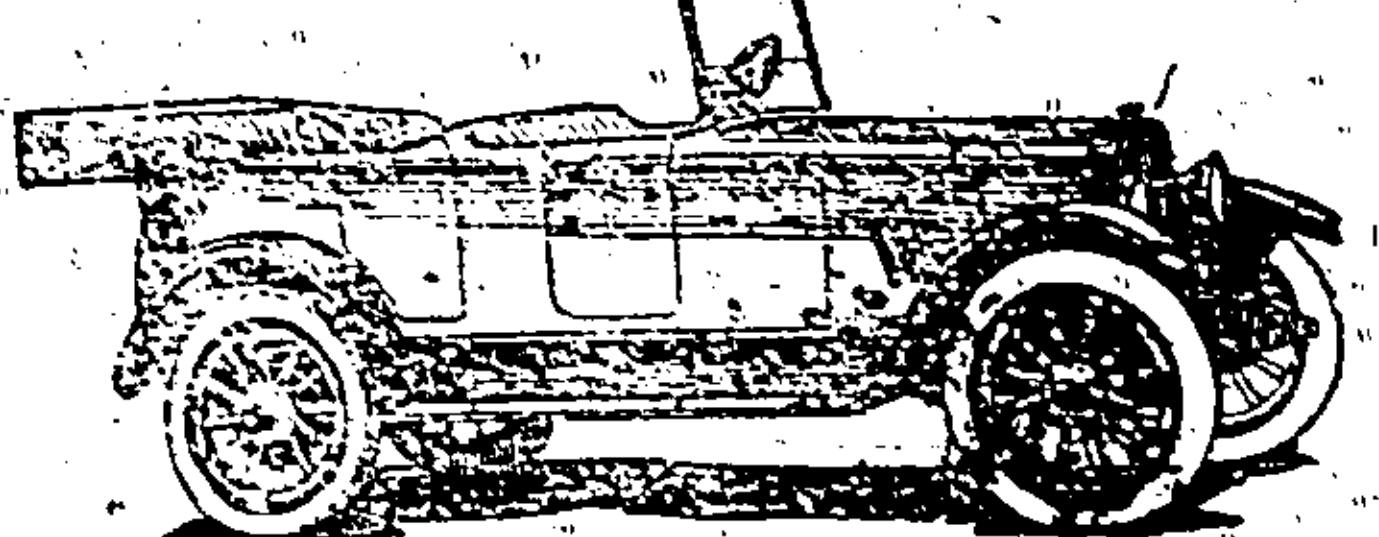
ASSETS.
Waterworks \$ 49,070.67
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Sundry Debtors 5,132.84
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR.

LARGEST AND MOST REPRESENTATIVE EVER HELD.
60,000 OVERSEAS INVITATIONS.

LONDON, February 18.

Two sections of the British Industries fair are opening at the White City in London and Birmingham on Monday and the third section in Glasgow the following week. Mr. Kellaway, interviewed, said that the fair was the largest and most representative exhibition of British trade ever assembled. The department of overseas trade had issued 60,000 invitations to overseas buyers in 112 foreign countries and the British Dominions and Colonies, also 95,000 to home buyers and to 17 foreign commercial missions. He hoped the fair would mark the turning point in British trade.

LONDON TO WELCOME JAPAN'S CROWN PRINCE.

LONDON, February 18.

The Corporation of London which is preparing a welcome to the Crown Prince of Japan at the Guildhall will present an address in April.

STRIKES IN HONGKONG.

TEA SHOPS AND BIRDS' NESTS.

DEMANDS OF WORKERS.

It is possible in Hongkong to have strikes of many varieties—some of which do not affect the European population. This is borne out by the present state of affairs. Just now there are two strikes in progress—one of them on the part of the employees of the tea shops, and the other by the employees of the birds' nest merchants. They mean little to the Europeans, but they are causing quite a flutter in Chinese industrial circles.

In the strike of tea shop employees, the discussions between the two sides have made no progress, and the matter has been referred to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. The strike has been on since the fourth day after the Chinese New Year.

The employees make many demands. They say that employees who are not members of the Guild should not be entitled to bonuses and cannot be promoted until after three years' service; employers must first notify the Guild before they dismiss any employees for misconduct; substitutes for employees absent or home or sick leave must be engaged by the employers at their own expense; employers cannot deduct overdrawn salary from an employee's wages or bonus; employees not retained at the end of the year are entitled to one month's full pay; employers cannot engage female workers in mid-autumn when "Moon" cakes are made; and the profits on cigarettes sold at the shop must be distributed among the staff. Certain of the daily necessities purchased by the shop are liable to "taxation," at the following scale: five cents per hen, five cents per duck, two cents per hundred eggs, and three cents per catty of beef and pork.

The employers say they cannot yield, owing to unsatisfactory business, but that they have agreed to give a general increase of 20 per cent. in pay, and an increase of \$1 in the monthly bonus. They believe that the strikers are backed by the *lokis* of Chinese hotels, restaurants, and eating houses, and that the latter will follow their example if they win their points. The proprietors of these concerns have been warned to this effect by the Tea-house Employers' Guild.

The employees of the birds' nest merchants, numbering about 180, went on strike on the 9th, and since then have been living on their Guild premises. They have made twelve demands on their employers, the chief of which was for shorter working hours. They ask also the proceeds of the sale of wooden cases, which they estimate amount to about \$800 a year. There being only about seven of the eight dealers, they have no association, and have engaged Mr. H. C. Macnamara, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston to approach the Government on the subject.

It is said that the workers received a 26 per cent. increase of pay last year. They claim that it will take too much time and trouble for their employers to train men to take their places, but the employers are endeavoring to show them they are wrong.

MR. J. H. GARDINER.

TRIBUTE FROM BENCH AND BAR.

SUPREME COURT MEETING.

An impressive occasion was witnessed in the Supreme Court this morning when solemn and heart-felt tribute was paid by Bench and Bar to the memory of the late Mr. J. H. Gardiner, the well-known solicitor.

At ten o'clock, when the full Court assembled, the courtroom was well filled with members of the Bar. Practically all the barristers and solicitors in the Colony were present.

It was the time set for the opening of the Criminal Session of the Court, and when this had been adjourned to Monday, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Attorney-General, arose as the leader of the Bar and asked that before the Court rose, he be allowed to refer to the loss the legal profession had suffered in the death of Mr. Gardiner.

Mr. Gardiner, he said, had been a solicitor in the Court for over 15 years, and by his courtesy, kindness, reasonableness and integrity, had gained the esteem and affection of all who knew him. He referred to the deep feeling of loss on the part of the Bar of the Colony. On behalf of the legal profession, he wished to offer to Mrs. Gardiner the sincere sympathy of his members.

The Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gompertz, and the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, then rose, and with the whole assembly standing, the Acting Chief Justice expressed the sorrow of the Court at the loss of one so highly esteemed.

The Acting Chief Justice said that the profession was met to do honour to the memory of one by whose death each felt that he had suffered a personal loss. He spoke of Mr. Gardiner as a man of high personal honour and great integrity. He had a large practice, which included many people of small estate, among whom his influence was very great and always for good. By them he was both respected and trusted.

Mr. Gardiner, he went on, was known to be a man ready to give generous assistance to a poor man who had an honest claim, and a man who would have nothing to do with mere factious litigation. Many a case in which, had it gone to trial, the parties would have ruined themselves and each other, had been settled out of court by Mr. Gardiner's sound common sense and friendly counsel.

In conclusion, the Acting Chief Justice said that the practising members of the profession, the officers of the Court, and the judges tendered their sincere and respectful sympathy to Mrs. Gardiner.

The Kwangsi Defence Commission has come to an arrangement with the Commissioner of Customs at Wuchow that British ships shall be searched on arrival in Wuchow, off the Customs House. Representatives of the Defence Commission will board the ships with the customs officials.

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"A FIERCE WOMAN."

NEIGHBOUR ASSAULTED.

RATIAN FOR NAUGHTY BOY.

Before Magistrate Orme this morning, Inspector Willis, of No. 7 Police Station charged a woman living at No. 144 Third Street, West Point, and her 14-year old son, with having assaulted a neighbour yesterday, causing a fracture of the wrist and slight injuries to the head.

The complainant said she lived opposite the defendants. Since the second of the Moon, the boy had continually annoyed her by knocking at her door and calling out filthy remarks. Yesterday morning she lost patience, and went across the road to complain to his mother. Witness had made her complaint and was about to go down the stairs, when the boy came up and gave her a kick. At the same time his mother pushed witness causing her to roll down the stairs.

The first defendant said that when she heard the complaint, she promised to chastise her son. As the complainant was about to depart, the boy came upstairs. The complainant then chased him with the intention of beating him, but he ran faster than she did, and in her haste she overbalanced and tumbled down the stairs. The witness ran down and picked her up. After another woman had deposed that she saw the defendants push the complainant down the stairs, Inspector Willis said that first defendant was a fierce woman and had given the police much trouble, both in the street when under arrest, and at the station. She was very disorderly.

The Magistrate said that but for the fact that the trouble had originated with the boy, he would have passed sentence of imprisonment. As it was, he would fine the first defendant \$20 or 14 days' hard labour, and order the boy to 10 strokes with a rattan. If the fine were paid, \$10 was to go to the complainant as compensation. In addition, the Magistrate ordered both defendants to sign bonds in the sum of \$100 each to be of good behaviour for 12 months.

OBITUARY.

SUB-INSPECTOR DAVIES.

DEATH FROM HEART FAILURE.

News of the sudden death from heart failure early this morning of Sub-inspector James Henry Davies, the officer in charge of the Aberdeen District came as a great shock to his colleagues and all connected with the Police Force.

Inspector Davies had complained of headaches for several days past, but as they did not interfere with the execution of his duties, they were not considered serious. About 11.30 last night, however, when the deceased officer was on duty in the station, he was suddenly afflicted by a heart seizure. He was immediately removed to bed. At 11.40 he was breathing hard, and as his condition was rapidly becoming worse, the motor ambulance was sent for. It arrived at 12.30 just as Inspector Davies breathed his last.

The deceased officer, who was very popular in the force, was one of its oldest members, being one of a batch of 40 Marines who arrived here on Oct. 26, 1899, after the acquisition of the New Territories. A zealous recruit, he gained rapid promotion. He was 43 years of age, and a man of great energy and strong physique. His untimely death is a great loss to the force, and comes as a severe blow to all who came in contact with him officially or otherwise, his very genial disposition winning for him the respect and esteem of all who knew him.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"THE PHARIES."

CLOSING PERFORMANCE.

The "Pharies," the talented entertainers of H.M.S. "Titanis," last night at the Theatre Royal concluded their short but extraordinarily successful series of performances in aid of the dependents of the men who perished in the recent loss of Submarine K5.

The programme already has been reviewed. It only remains to give a final word of praise for the high character of the entertainment that these bright people have given Hongkong, and to say that anything they may promise in the future will be cordially anticipated. It was an excellent show, of uniformly high standard, and it went with a snap and precision that no seldom encounters in amateur performances. In point of fact, both in the ability of the performers and stage management and direction, it was lifted far out of the ranks of amateur shows, and into the company of professional performances.

MISTAKEN FOR PIRATES.

JOINT MISUNDERSTANDING.

JUNKS THAT PASS IN THE NIGHT.

A case of two junks mistaking each other in the darkness is reported by the folk of a Hongkong fishing junk who states that while bound to Haknagan Point in Chinese territories on Wednesday night, he noticed a large junk with an estimated crew of ten making towards him. Suspecting pirates, the master of the fishing junk challenged the stranger who replied with a rifle shot which hit the master on the knee. Owing to the darkness, the people on the fishing junk could not identify any of the stranger's crew. The fact that the stranger did not come alongside but proceeded on her course after firing the shot, gives rise to the assumption that both junks had mistaken each other in the dark for pirates, and that the stranger had fired the shot as a warning that she was armed.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

The s.s. "Titan," Captain A. T. Shaw, 5,730 tons, arrived this morning at 8 a.m. from Singapore with 2,248 tons of general cargo and 688 bags of mail.

The s.s. "Hailong," Capt. A. H. Stewart, 1,276 tons, arrived this morning at 8.30 a.m. from Swatow with 800 tons of general cargo.

DEPARTURES.

The s.s. "Victoria," Capt. Fisher, sailed for Melbourne at 10 a.m. today with 1,200 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Kwangsi," Captain Mathias, sailed for Tientsin at noon today with 2,000 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Loozyang," Captain Simpson, sailed for Manila at 3 p.m. today with 1,600 tons of general cargo.

CLEARANCES.

The s.s. "Wing Sang," Br., cleared today and will sail for Shanghai at 7 a.m. to-morrow.

The s.s. "Chekiang," Chi., cleared today and will sail for Swatow at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

NEWS FOR THEATREGOERS.

FEWER COMPANIES COMING TO THE EAST.

A Bombay message dated January 12 says:—It was announced some days ago that Bombay was to receive a visit from an Italian Grand Opera Company, but the visit is now doubtful, owing to reports the company has received regarding the shortage of accommodation for the company, which numbers 150. This has long been a serious deterrent to the visits of theatrical companies not only in Bombay but other cities in the East, and another factor is the enormously increased costs.

Mr. James McGrath, local manager of the Madras Syndicate estimates that the cost of bringing a theatre company to the East is now 300 per cent. above pre-war rates. He says that Mr. Fred Wynn, manager of the Grotesques, has written to him pointing out that whereas before the war he could have brought his company to Bombay for a little over £300 it would now cost him £1,500. "People grumble at the fare provided for them at the theatres," said Mr. McGrath, "but companies refuse to come to the East because the overhead charges are so great. It is not only Bombay which suffers, but the same thing applies to Colombo and Calcutta and all the other great cities of the East. We shall never be able to improve the standard of the theatre in the East until the housing problem in these cities is solved and until it is possible to bring large companies to the East on a sound commercial basis."

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LTD.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 3rd March 1921, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December 1920, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1921 to THURSDAY, the 3rd March 1921, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, February 18, 1921.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

PASSES for Servants will be issued on application to the Undersecretary on SATURDAY, February 19th.

No Servants will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the Race Course during the Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS, which can be had on application to the Undersecretary. These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various Stands.

Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit them, and the holders thereof will be removed from the Enclosure.

R. J. PATERSON, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 17, 1921.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1921.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, February 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st

TICKETS of Admission to the Grand Stand and Enclosure may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, or at the GATE Price \$4 for each day or \$12 for the Meeting. No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

R. J. PATERSON, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 17, 1921.

STRUTHERS AND DIXON, INC.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

SS. "WEST HENSHAW," From SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Steamship

"WEST HENSHAW"

having arrived from San Francisco via ports on Feb. 17th, 1921. Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 22nd Feb. 1921, by the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the Godowns and cargo undelivered on and after 24th February, 1921, will be subject to rent.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature immediately.

STRUTHERS & DIXON, INC., Agents for Div. of Op. U. S. Shipping Board.

Emergency Fleet Corp.
Hongkong, February 18, 1921.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

ORDERS BY LIEUT. COLONEL L. G. BIRD, D.S.O., ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT.

Hongkong, Friday, 18th February, 1921.

1. Parades.

Parades for week ending 26th February will be held in accordance with Programme of Work.

Members of Kowloon Dock Company belonging to Infantry Battalion will in future parade on Fridays at 8.10 p.m. at the New Ship Yard East.

2. Musketry.

No. 5 Platoon (Scottish) will fire Part 11 on Sunday, 27th inst. at 10 a.m. on King's Park Range.

3. Mounted Infantry Section.

No parade next week, owing to Races.

4. Cadet Company

Parade at Headquarters on Tuesday, 22nd instant, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: Drill Order.

G. F. E. RAPSON, Bt.-Major, Adjutant, H. K. V. D. Corps.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the China Mail, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

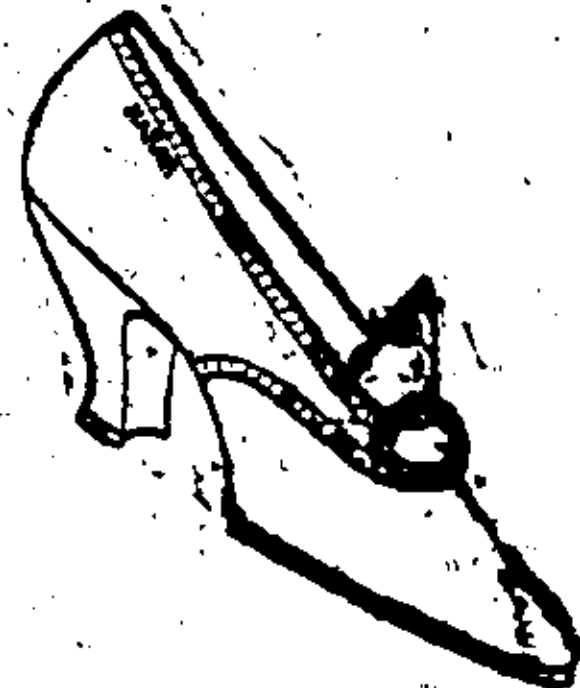
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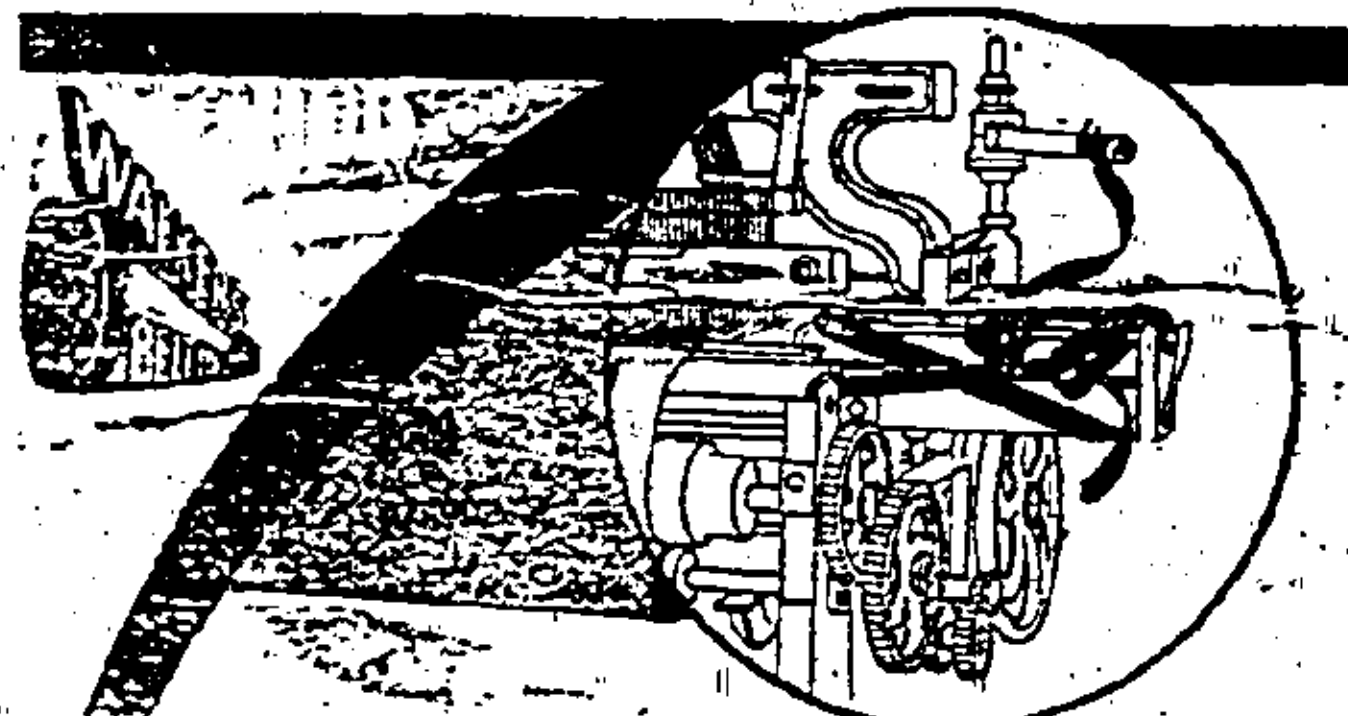
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SPORT.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

"HAWKINS" v. "HOLLYHOCK."

In aid of the fund for the relief of the dependants of those who lost their lives in the recent disaster to Submarine K5, a very interesting charity football match was played on the Dockyard ground yesterday afternoon, between teams representing H. M. S. "Hawkins" and "Hollyhock". There was a large gathering of Service men present, and a collection made on the ground raised the creditable sum of \$186. The Brass Band of H.M.S. "Titanic" which was in attendance enlivened the afternoon with fine selections of music.

The "Hawkins" won the toss, and Lieut. Whitts, D.S.C., kicked off for the "Hollyhock" against the sum. The "Hawkins" forwards pounced on the ball immediately it was set in motion, and by means of good combination, were soon in enemy territory. The defence was equal to the situation and cleared, but Wilkins caught the ball at the rebound and sent in a dropping shot which found the net before the game had been many minutes old. The "Hollyhock" took up the offensive after this and were awarded a free kick near the penalty area. They missed an equalizer by inches. A few minutes later Handford had a very hard line in striking the upright with an almost certain header. After missing an easy chance from a corner kick, the "Hawkins" almost immediately afterwards broke through the "Hollyhock" defence, and Bullard put the side two up with a ground shot from close range. The "Hawkins" kept up the pressure for the next five minutes and generally gave the "Hollyhock" defence a very hot close and keenly contested game, but they did not again find the net. This was followed by a spell of midfield play and then the "Hollyhock" forwards, exhibiting some very good football, carried the ball into enemy territory where they had a number of good openings. After this play was all "Hawkins" until near the close of the first half when the "Hollyhock" forwards made a sudden breakaway which ended in Handford scoring from a well timed centre from Stevenson. Half time arrived with the "Hawkins" leading by the odd goal in three.

The "Hollyhock" took the offensive at the resumption and attacked strongly, but the "Hawkins" defence was sound and successfully kept them at bay. Edwards soon cleared to midfield and then the ball was transferred to the other end where it was just put outside. Adams started a nice attack for the "Hollyhock" which was spoiled by Humphreys in the nick of time, Dyer being forced to send over. After Harris had missed a good chance for the "Hawkins" play was confined to midfield for a long spell. Towards the end of the match, Adams obtained possession and sent in a shot which McBride just managed to stop. However, before he could get rid of the ball, Adams rushed in and netted. With the game a draw, play became very fast and exciting with both sets of forwards working strenuously, but time was against them and when the final whistle came the scores were unchanged.

SATURDAY'S FIXTURES.

Below are the 2nd Division fixtures for Saturday, all matches beginning at 3 p.m.—
United v. Club on St. Joseph's ground.
Staffs v. Carlisle on Sookumpoo ground.

Kowloon v. ST. JOSEPH'S.

This match in the 2nd round of the Hongkong shield competition will be played on the Navy "A" ground, to-morrow. (Kick-off, 4.30 p.m.) Kowloon team—W. Crocker, F. Wheeler and T. L. Knight; J. Coupland, A. Wayman and E. Pascoe; C. Millard, J. Main, R. E. Townsend, F. Evelyn and P. Beesley.

KOWLOON v. INDIAN R.C.

This match in the 2nd div. of the League will be played on the Navy "B" ground to-morrow (kick-off, 3 p.m.). Kowloon team—W. Muakett; S. Adams and A. Spary; C. E. Stewart, S. Haver and R. Roberts; E. Donovan, A. Palmer, J. Coombs, K. Mason and A. Estorffe.

UNITED v. CLUB.

The following will represent the United in the above 2nd division League match on Saturday, the 19th inst., on St. Joseph's ground, kick-off at 3 p.m.—W. McLeod; A. E. Simmons and D. D. Urquhart; J. Baker, D. Laing and J. Leonard; W. Kent, P. Brown, G. T. May, C. H. Blake and G. Chubb.

HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

The following are the scores of a very close and keenly contested shoot between H.M.S. "Tamar" and H.M.S. "Titanic" at the King's Park Range, yesterday, won by H.M.S. "Tamar".

H.M.S. "TAMAR"	200	500	600	Pts.
Mr. Clemow	42	43	41	126
"Betting"	40	40	39	119
"Brazendale"	41	41	32	114
"Snell"	38	43	25	106
"Ravenscroft"	39	31	31	101
"Patey"	30	43	23	96
"Way"	40	30	23	93
Total	300	500	600	866

H.M.S. "TITANIC"

H.M.S. "TITANIC"	200	500	600	Pts.
Mr. Scott	40	43	39	122
"Jackson"	40	47	34	121
"Tapley"	38	39	41	118
"Sigworth"	38	41	30	109
"Blackford"	36	38	35	109
"Barker"	40	33	33	106
"Taylor"	29	35	34	98
"Fantony"	32	28	20	80
Total	300	500	600	863

BILLIARDS.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

At the Victoria Recreation Club last night, playing in the third round of the open tournament for the billiards Championship of the Colony, E. Guimaraes defeated C. Botting, 500-314, thus getting into the semi-final.
The best breaks were: Guimaraes 40, 25, 24, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 13, 17, 17, 17, 16, 13, 12, 11, 11; Botting, 29, 24, 21, 20, 17, 14, 13, and 10.
MATCH POSTPONED.
On account of Lieut. T. B. Golding being away in camp, his match against Lenny Kam Kong fixed for to-night, has been postponed until February 21 at 6 p.m.

CARDS.

A FRESH BRIDGE GAME.

CAIRO INVENTION.

Variety is the spice of life in cards as in other things, and having none of that horrid of innovation which seems to possess the majority of club card players, I welcomed the trial of a new form of Auction, writes Mr. Manning Foster in the Daily Mail. The game was played by Service men and others in Cairo and other parts of Egypt in the winter of 1917, and was found a most excellent pastime.

I tried it and found it fascinating. It has all the good points of Contract and Auction as well. The idea of the game is to encourage calling, and at the same time to reward correct bidding. For this purpose all suits are of equal value except that they keep their ordinary sequence for declaration: spades, hearts, diamonds, and clubs.

The following table shows the method of scoring—

Tricks in any suit	In No Trumps or Bonus	Penalty
1... scores 4 per trick	4	20
2... "	7	40
3... "	10	60
4... "	15	80
5... "	25	100
6... "	40	150
7... "	75	200

Now it will be seen that three tricks in any suit make a game. But these tricks must be declared. The player who calls one spade or one heart does not get game even if he makes a grand slam.

For a little slam declared he is rewarded by 500 points, and for a grand slam declared 1,000 points.

The "No Trump" declaration takes precedence, as in Auction, over all suits in bidding. But what is the good of calling "One No Trump" when, if you are left with the contract, you only score 4 a trick? The game, therefore, sounds the doom of the light "No Trump" fend and gives the holder of good cards, in no matter what suit, a fair chance in the bidding.

Four clubs over-bid three "No Trumps" three spades, or three hearts.

The bonus when the declarer is doubled and is successful in his contract, is the same as the penalty. Thus the declarer who bids "One" of a suit is doubled and gets his contract, scores 20 points above the line. Or if unsuccessful he loses 20 points for each trick below his contract. The game has also another novelty. The original bidder may increase his contract after the declaration has been passed by all the other players, but he may not vary it. Thus Z as dealer bids one Spade. A. Y. and B. pass. Z may now call two, three, or more spades, but he cannot switch into "No Trumps" or any suit declaration other than spades.

To make the matter perfectly clear, let me give a few examples. Z declares "One No Trump." He is left with the contract. He makes four "No Trumps." He scores four 16 points below, Z declares four "No Trumps," and makes five; he scores 125 points below, but if he declares five "No Trumps" and makes them, he scores 250 points.

A correspondent asks about the effect of the double at Contract Bridge. It is the same as at Auction Bridge in so far as the trick value is concerned. Over-tricks are scored at the rate of 100 a trick or re-doubles 200 a trick above the line.

APHORISMS FROM AMERICA.

POTTED WISDOM.

If you have money to burn, go ahead and burn it. It's cheaper than coal.

Sleep is nature's greatest gift to man. Coal is nature's greatest gift to the middleman.

When the time comes for the meek to inherit the earth, taxes will be so high they won't want it.

1610: Indians sold Manhattan Island for a keg of whisky. 1920: Citizens want to trade back.

Tipping is said to be due to public weakness. It is also due to the desire to have luncheon served in time for dinner.

HO KOM TONG CUPS.

Last night's play at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, in connection with the tournament for the above cups resulted in Ho Sal-cheong (150) beating H. J. Jeffreys (75), 250-213; and W. G. Gerrard (150) defeating J. Caffin (50), 250-237.

The highest breaks of the evening were: Ho, 20, and 15; Jeffreys, 23; Gerrard, 29, 16, 16, and 15; and Caffin, 17.

TODAY'S GAMES.

Tonight the following games in the still uncompleted second round of the tournament will be played—

6 p.m.—Sergt. Allen (100) v. J. Parkes (200).
9 p.m.—R. A. Tyrrell (100) v. T. Reeves (150).

BISMARCK'S LAST WORDS.

SUPPRESSED VOLUME.

JUDGMENT OF HISTORY.

The prevailing fashion bids us reckon it a marvellous example of decency, although compulsory, that the last volume of Bismarck's memoirs has been kept secret till now. It could not fail to be piquant, it might well be scandalous, this intimate narrative of the quarrel with the Kaiser and the fall from power. But the old Chancellor, though he was not the most reticent of men and his sense of dignity was not trustworthy, was at least made of sterner stuff than our diary-mongers, and he did not choose to expose himself in his lifetime. Through the twenty years since his death the Kaiser has contrived, by hook or by crook, to keep this dangerous last volume from the public eye. Even now German law maintains some sort of a veto on the book; but, as a Berlin newspaper has published an elaborate summary and copious extracts, we may take it that all the secrets are out. They will affect but little the judgment of history on William II. or his Chancellor. Whether or not we believe all that we are told—and the smallest familiarity with Bismarck's way of putting a case suggests caution—the characters of the two men look much the same. While his grandfather, William I., the model monarch whose praises he was always singing, was still on the throne, the ex-Kaiser, Bismarck assures us, drew up a proclamation of his own addressed to the Princes and the chief statesmen of Germany. It is a queer and a rather ghastly story when we think of the old man still reigning, and the Crown Prince Frederick, his heir, suffering already from the disease which everyone believed, and some hoped, must kill him. We have no difficulty about the plausibility. How William II. treated his father and his mother we know, and there is no reason why he should not have calculated upon and made preparations for his grandfather's death. But it is just possible that Bismarck, like other autobiographers, may have taken a liberty with chronology, and that the proclamation belongs to the reign of the Emperor Frederick. On the cause and course of the final quarrel the new revelations seem to reveal nothing of any importance. That the opinion was found in a difference of opinion on foreign policy, and particularly on the relations between Germany and Russia, has long been known. This personal narrative seems only to emphasize the inevitable incompatibility of the two men—the weathercock egoist and the masterful, stubborn old statesman. We suspect that it will be read in the future not so much for its particular facts as for the vista which it gives of the brief Hohenzollern Empire. The most illuminating sentence in the extracts we have is the characteristic Bismarckian sarcasm uttered just before his fall. "He was glad to find that the power of the King of Prussia, which he had found tottering in 1862, had now become so solid. He meant, of course, to say that the power of Prussia was made by Otto von Bismarck, and by him alone, kings and kaisers being mere tools in his hand. A wiser statesman might have answered that one man, however strong, is an unstable foundation for an Empire. But the subtler point of the sarcasm, intentional or not, has no reference to Bismarck's work, but to the brief and hothouse growth of the Hohenzollern supremacy. If William II. could sometimes have remembered that his warrior grandfather was once "excommunicated" throughout Germany as the "Carthage Prince" and driven into exile, and that his grandfather's brother, King Frederick William IV., hailed the upheaval of 1848 as "the glorious German revolution," we might have heard less of War Lords and their Divine right, and the world might have been spared the horrors of the last six years.

20-MILES GOLF MATCH.

CURIOUS CROSS-COUNTRY CONTEST.

A remarkable golf match, which resulted in the winning of a wager, was played across country in Wales recently.

The participants in the contest were Mr. Raymond Thomas and Mr. Rupert Phillips, well known Cardiff dockmen and members of Radyr and Southerndown Golf Clubs and they played over a distance of twenty miles, from the first tee at Radyr to the last green at Southerndown, in 608 strokes.

The wager was that, playing alternate strokes and adhering strictly to the rules of golf, the distance could not be covered in less than 1,200 strokes.

Incidents in the contest included: Visits to two thick woods and a morass.

Wading knee-deep in water to cross a river.

Jumping a hedge "at the double" when chased by a bull.

Twenty balls were lost during the match, which was won in sixteen hours, inclusive of time for refreshment.

H. B. IRVING.

ACTOR-CRIMINOLOGIST.

CELEBRATED K.C.'S STORIES.

Sir Edward Marshall Hall, K.C., gives some interesting memories of the late actor-criminologist, whose death occurred while the volume was in the Press in a preface to the "Trial of the Wainwright," by H. B. Irving, published by Messrs. Hodges, of Edinburgh, in their "Notable Trials" series.

It was H. B. Irving's keen sense of drama," says Sir Edward, "his great dramatic instinct, that made him study criminals and their trials in search of the drama that he knew he was sure to find."

As showing the extraordinary attraction that the study of criminals has for the most unsuspecting people, H. B. used to quote a story told by his father:

One night, when he sat up late with Tennyson, the latter said he had not kept such late hours since a recent visit he had paid to Jowett, when the absorbing subject of conversation was "murders," and on this topic the poet and philosopher had talked till the early morning.

At the Bar Sir Edward believes H.B. might have had "a great career in the criminal courts, where a sense of drama is never wasted, and a good actor has advantages which the others lack."

As a proof of this Sir Edward relates the following experience—

I well remember listening in a case to a fine speech by a man who was a great speaker without being a great advocate. The speech was perfect in composition and logic, but it left one cold; whereas the speech in reply, badly as it might read in the reports, was a human speech on the level of its audience, and it won the verdict.

A few days later I happened to meet one of the jury, and asked him how they failed to be convinced by the other speech.

"Oh," said he, "the speech was right enough, but he didn't believe a word of it himself; he had his tongue in his cheek all the time."

H. B. was greatly impressed by the methods and conduct of different criminals, and could not help respecting ability where it was displayed.

He undoubtedly admired, for instance, "the misplaced talents of men like Lacenaire and Peace," Sir Edward says.

In recent times he expressed sympathy with the famous Dr. Crippen, and though from circumstances over which he had no control I was personally to conduct his defence, I too, always felt some inexplicable sympathy for him.

Of one thing both Irving and I felt convinced, that if Crippen had cared to throw over the companion who was eventually arrested with him, he might have made good his escape.

Sir Edward tells in reference to his own career a story of a woman who put in a plea against sentence of death (which required to be immediately substantiated).

The jury desired the assistance of a medical man who happened to be in court and he required a stethoscope. A message was sent into court, and the presiding judge asked one of the police to fetch one from one of the shops on Ludgate-hill; after a time the officer returned, bringing a naval telescope, and apologised by saying it was the smallest he could get.

For the purpose of studying crime in consort with others of similar tastes, H.B. founded a club.

The "Crimes Club," as it was nicknamed, or, more properly, "Our Society," was intended to be an association originally of 12 and later of 40, members interested in criminology, who were to meet periodically and, after dinner, debate cases and matters connected with that subject.

The members and their guests of this unique club were all pledged to secrecy, so that their discussions were as unfettered as those at a Cabinet Council.

"If it had not been his fortune," says Sir Edward, "to be a great actor, he might have earned as a great advocate, but his was the better role."

At the same time Sir Edward believes that if men of such education and ability as characterised H. B. could be attracted by remunerative salaries to the work of the detective force "there would be more chance of dealing successfully with the clever fraternity who live by their wits."

A builder had built a house and had nearly sold it. The appointment with the purchaser for the final signature of documents had been made. At half-past two on that day the house shuddered, steadied itself, shuddered again, and then gently settled down into a heap of its component bricks, mortar, and woodwork. The man who had nearly bought it hurried round to keep his appointment with the builder, and found him in heated conversation with his foreman. "No, sir," said the foreman, "I told you to build it for two o'clock and I've done it." "You're wrong," retorted the builder fiercely. "What I said was: 'He's coming to sign about two; build it for half-past four.' You must leave a margin, you silly fool."

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NEW YORK CRIME.

PUBLIC EXCITEMENT.

DAYLIGHT MURDER IN FIFTH AVENUE.

Symptomatic of the excitement created by the New York crime wave—of which one example, the holding up of four visitors at the Astor Hotel, already published and two more are given below—two judges announced from the Bench there that in future they would sentence "hold-up men" convicted of crimes less than murder to life imprisonment.

Public bodies in New York are demanding the formation of Vigilance Committees as a result of a fresh crime of robbery and murder which took place in a Fifth Avenue jeweller's in daylight following by less than 24 hours the robbery of four visitors by masked armed men in the Astor Hotel.

The victim of the crime was Mr. Edwin Andrews, of a firm of wholesale precious stones dealers. An elderly messenger, returning from his midday meal, entered the office, to find his employer lying on the floor bound by the telephone wire. In a moment he himself was seized by three men, who told him he would be killed if he made a sound. Then he was tied up, gagged, and thrown in a corner.

The robbers had barely disposed of the old man when two commercial travellers entered. In two minutes they also were lying bound and gagged on the floor.

The thieves then robbed the office safe and the travellers' sample cases.

Half an hour later the occupants of an adjoining office were startled to see a man, gagged, and with his hands bound behind his back, lurch into the room. It was one of the travellers who had kicked off the bonds on his legs.

Mr. Andrews was then found to have a bullet wound in the abdomen and a gash on the head. He was dead.

NOT A SINGLE CLUE.

The thieves had made their coup in the centre of the holiday shopping district under the noses of a special force of detectives. The limits of this district were proclaimed publicly by the police a week before, with the intimation that any man known to have a criminal record who was found in it during the shopping season would be arrested on sight. Not a single clue has been found yet.

The police locked the building and allowed nobody to enter. The Sterling Silver Manufacturers' Association held a special meeting and drew up an energetic protest to Mr. Hylan, the Mayor of New York, against the "Lack of protection to life and property in the city."

The parts of Fifth Avenue where Mr. Andrews' office are situated corresponds exactly to the most fashionable shopping section of Bond Street, London. It is lined with art dealers, jewellers, exclusive modistes and tailors' establishments. The Ritz-Carlton Hotel is situated on the borders of this section of Fifth Avenue, as the Ritz Hotel is close to the end of Bond Street, Delmonico's, New York's most fashionable restaurant, is a stone's throw from the scene of the robbery. Close by are Harvard Racquet and Union Clubs, three of the best in New York.

At the time when the crime was committed the pavements were crowded with richly dressed women beginning their afternoon shopping and the wide roadway was almost blocked by a mass of motor-car bearing others to after-luncheon engagements.

The value of the loot obtained by the thieves is estimated at \$9,000.

A running fight between police and motor bandits was witnessed in Upper Broadway and a constable was killed by a revolver bullet.

Across Hudson River, in the State of New Jersey, in districts corresponding to Lewis and Brondesbury, a Saturday of crime has been in full blast also. For three weeks past postmasters shopkeepers have been terrorized by the operations of bands of motor bandits armed with revolvers and daggers.

As for the rest of the country, in the theatre district of Chicago a pistol battle took place in which a policeman and one of a band

A MODERN PENANCE.

CHURCH INCIDENT.

A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT.

Very diverse creeds have, we know, approved the use of public penance. King Henry II. submitted to be scourged in expiation of the murder of Becket, and seven hundred years later Robert Burns, in catalogue of human woes comparable to the toothache, included the cutty-stool. What the medieval Papacy and an eighteenth-century Kirk session were agreed upon may be thought beyond criticism. Yet we have our doubts whether this particular method of spiritual discipline is likely to be edifying in our time and country, and we desire to put in a caveat against the recent attempt by a Lincolnshire bench of magistrates to introduce it into our common law.

Two young women were accused of "unseemly conduct" in the parish church of North Kelsey. They had, in fact, meddled with the ornaments of the church, some of the brass candlesticks having been found "inverted." When charged they pleaded guilty, and the magistrates adjourned the case to give them "the opportunity of making a public apology."

On the next Sunday, when service was over, the vicar called upon the girls to come forward in front of the congregation, and there they stood while the vicar recited the circumstances and then delivered an address deprecating the offence, ending by reading aloud a confession and apology they had made.

The congregation then knelt "while the girls made a confession of their sin to God." Then the vicar assured them that they were forgiven and dismissed them, and a churchwarden led them out of church. We made no doubt that everybody concerned in the arrangement of this ceremony meant excellently well, but we hope that by this time some of them are beginning to wonder whether their methods were wise. Upon the general question of the expediency of public penance it is only necessary to say that its general cessation in all churches might have suggested doubts about its revival in North Kelsey. Its dangers seem obvious enough to any who have some knowledge of history or of human nature. Whatever our affection for the obsolete, we can hardly fail to recognise the probability of public rebukes and humiliations exciting offenders and spectators sentiments very different from sorrow. The particular case was singularly ill adapted to form an exception to this general rule. A foolish, ugly levity in treating sacred things with levity is not wisely pushed by making the offenders the chief actors in an imposing ceremony. Commerce might have suggested that such a policy is more likely to encourage than to suppress the offence. There are everywhere silly creatures hungry for notoriety, and if other parishes were no wiser than North Kelsey, they would have shown them an easy way to gratify their appetites. We may at least hope that the case will long stand alone as an example to magistrates and parishes of the art of how not to do it.—Daily Telegraph.

of armed men who attempted to rob a chemist's shop were killed.

From Boston it is reported that in consequence of the prevalence of crimes of violence the judge of the Superior Court declared that the streets were no longer safe and advocated the full penalty of life imprisonment to be imposed on all convicted robbers.

The police have arrested two men and one woman who are believed to be the occupants of a motor-car in trying to board which the policeman was killed.

The body of a man named Lareach was afterwards found in the hall of the residence of Lareach's brother, and the latest theory of the police is that the dead man was one of the occupants of the car and that the prisoners were the other occupants. The woman arrested was found to have been wounded by a bullet in the elbow.—Renter.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

WASHINGTON, February 18.

The Republican leaders of the Senate have agreed to expedite the Immigration Bill limiting the number of aliens of any nationality admissible to the United States in any one year to five per cent. of the number of persons of such nationality resident in the United States. The Bill will be given priority as unfinished business.

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